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For: **ELECTROSURGICAL GENERATOR WITH ADAPTIVE POWER CONTROL**

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicants have identified on the enclosed forms PTO-1449 references cited in parent application Serial No. 08/838,548 filed on April 9, 1997. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) and 35 U.S.C. § 120, copies of the patents can be obtained in the above-identified parent applications.

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☒ (X) This information disclosure statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of this application.

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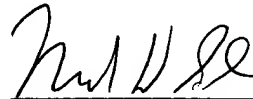
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Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

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